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THE DUTCH RESOLUTION ON WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE FOLLOW-UP
QUOTED IN GENEVA 5534 DATED JULY 14 IS GENERALLY ACCEPTABLE
SUBJECT TO THE COMMENTS AND CAVEATS BELOW. SPECIFICALLY
THE DELEGATION MAY AS APPROPRIATE ADDRESS TOPICAL ITEMS IN
THE DUTCH RESOLUTION AS FOLLOWS:

1.1: THE USG INFORMED THE FAO IN MARCH 1975 THAT WE WERE
READY TO ADOPT THE OBJECTIVES POLICIES AND GUIDELINES
CONTAINED IN THE UNDERTAKING ON WORLD FOOD SECURITY.
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1.2: WHILE THE USG ACCEDED TO IMPLEMENTATION OF FAO'S UNDER-
TAKING ON WORLD FOOD SECURITY WE HAVE LAID PARTICULAR
STRESS ON CONSULTATIONS IN LONDON WITH OTHER MAJOR GRAIN
PRODUCING, CONSUMING AND TRADING NATIONS ON A COORDINATED

SYSTEM OF NATIONAL RESERVES.

2.2: THE USG ACCEPTS THE CONCEPT OF FORWARD PLANNING OF FOOD AID BUT EMPHASIZES THAT US PLANNING IS LIMITED TO A YEARLY BASIS.

3: REFERENCE TO STABILIZATION OF WORLD FOOD MARKETS SHOULD BE DELETED FROM THE RESOLUTION. THE DELEGATION SHOULD INFORM THE DUTCH OF OUR RESERVATIONS ABOUT RAISING THIS ISSUE IN THE RESOLUTION AND SUGGEST IT BE DELETED. THE TOPIC IS VERY SENSITIVE VIS A VIS OUR DOMESTIC MARKET-ING PRINCIPLES AND WE HAVE REPEATEDLY STATED THAT PRICE STABILIZATION MUST NOT BE AN OBJECTIVE OF A WORLD FOOD SECURITY SYSTEM. IT IS DIFFICULT TO FULLY ADDRESS TOPIC BECAUSE OF LIMITED INFORMATION PROVIDED. SUGGEST DELEGATION SECURE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON SUBJECT AND ADVISE IF FURTHER INSTRUCTION NECESSARY.

4: THE USG HAS ANNOUNCED ITS INTENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT ALTHOUGH NO FINANCIAL PLEDGE HAS BEEN MADE BY THE US OR OTHER NATIONS AT THIS TIME.

4.3: THE USG SHARES THE VIEW THAT DISBURSEMENTS FROM THE FUND SHOULD BE CARRIED OUT THROUGH EXISTING INTERNATIONAL AND/OR REGIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

4.4: WE SUPPORT THE MINIMUM LEVEL OF 1000 MILLIONS SDR'S TO TRIGGER INITIATION OF THE FUND.

4.5-4.7: THE DELEGATE MAY NOTE THAT THE TIME FRAME PROPOSED FOR PLEDGING AND ESTABLISHMENT OF THE IFAD IS PROBABLY FAR TOO OPTIMISTIC, AND SUGGEST REWORDING OF THESE ITEMS PROVIDING A MORE OPEN-ENDED OPTION. KISSINGER

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